MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, March 23, 2004
St. George P.D.
1:00 pm

Attendance:

Randy Auman (Logan PD)	Nancy McConnell (State ITS)
Ken Morgan (West Valley City)	Floyd Ritter (State ITS)
Sherman Stebbins (City of St. George)	Jim Stewart (UEN)
Renard "Rey" Thompson (State DPS)	Trevor Pollock (State ITS)
Rick Bailey (San Juan County)	Doug Chandler (State ITS)

Thank you Sherman Stebbins for hosting the meeting on behalf of St. George PD. Refreshments were provided, and the facility was outstanding.

I. **Approval of Previous Minutes**
   The February 24, 2004 minutes were approved without changes. The motion was made by Randy Auman and seconded by Sherman Stebbins.

II. **700 MHz Region 41 Planning Committee Update**
   Randy Auman, the vice-chair of the Region 41 Planning Committee, gave an update of what has been happening with the 700 MHz Plan. Participation has been less than hoped for. Yahoo Groups have been set up for the sub-committees. In the February meeting, Boyd Webb gave a presentation on 4.9 GHz. After the presentation, the committee created a 4.9 GHz sub-committee, chaired by Tim Cornia of DPS. Randy showed the website for the 700MHz RPC.

III. **Omni-Link Voice Interoperability Project**
   Floyd Ritter gave the committee an update of what was happening with the UWIN OmniLink project. Time is a critical factor in meeting the July 1 deadline set by Governor Walker for UWIN's "Phase One". The OmniLink system will be used to connect and share the resources of various dispatch centers around the state. The four centers that are the focus of the July 1 deadline are: Cedar City, Millard County, Richfield, Utah National Guard at Camp Williams, and the Emergency Operations Center (Capitol). The St. George Dispatch Center will also be connected, but not in time to be part of phase one.

   Floyd pointed out that we are working with Motorola on a weekly basis to make sure the project is proceeding on time. June 15 will be a milestone for getting the Guard's system installed for an exercise they are doing.

   800 MHz conventional stations will be installed at four locations as part of Phase One; Utah Hill, Frisco Peak, Levan Peak, and Monroe Peak. More stations will follow (up to a total of about 30). These stations will be controlled by the local dispatch centers.

   Omni-Link Timelines are currently:
   System Install - May 2004
   System Testing – June 2004

Connect Remaining Identified Dispatch Centers – October 2004
Project Completion - March 2005

IV. Mobile Data Project Team Update
Doug Chandler passed out minutes from the last Mobile Data Project Team Meeting held in Fillmore last month. (Refer to the posted minutes: http://uwin.utah.gov/techcommittee/minutesfiles/MobileDataProjectTeam02-20-04.pdf)
Contact froper@millard.state.ut.us to join the project team. Randy Auman asked about the status of the 700MHz Mobile Data test that Phil Bates was going to install in the St. George, Cedar, and Millard County area. Phil wasn't available for comment.

V. Narrowband Migration Project Team Update
Boyd Webb was unavailable for an update on his project team. He's attending the International Wireless Communications Expo (IWCE) in Las Vegas. Doug Chandler gave an overview of why narrowbanding is an important issue.

Floyd Ritter reported on his recent trip to Washington DC to meet with National Public Safety Telecommunications Committee (NPSTC). Floyd's suggestion for establishing frequency pairs in the VHF spectrum was adopted by the committee as a national project.

VI. 802.11 Project Team Update
The project team leader, Tim Cornia, was not able to attend the meeting. Renard Thompson with DPS gave a brief update of what was discussed in the last meeting of the project team. In the last meeting, Washington County shared some very innovative things they were doing with 802.11. Jim Stewart with the Utah Education Network has provided phone conferencing capabilities for the project team. Jim discussed UEN's emphasis on wireless security. Richard Erickson, with State ITS, is working on a network persistence bid. If you would like more information, his Email address is: rcericks@utah.gov .

VII. Wireless Incident Command
Among the list of tasks the Steering Committee was given by the Governance Board, is 'Wireless Incident Command'. No one in the meeting opted to form a project team. We need to get someone from the Fire Chiefs to lead such a project team. Fire departments are used to dealing with incident command on a regular basis.

VIII. Vendor Presentation from AT&T Wireless
Langford Lloyd, with AT&T Wireless, presented their mobile data wireless solution for the replacement of CDPD. 12 cities have migrated to the new AT&T solution. The GPRS solution is currently being provided at no cost. The latest technology EDGE modem is now available. Some agencies are simply using the Air Cards that plug directly into the laptop. Unlimited data via state contract MA525 goes for $59.50/month on GPRS, EDGE or Air Cards. There is an April 15 deadline for getting the modems for free with the unlimited service package. Net Motient is included as a free network persistence application.

IX.   Grant Funding for Wireless Needs
Floyd Ritter has been working with PSAPS and other agencies around the state to identify their wireless needs and the costs associated with meeting those needs. Floyd informed the committee of the projects he is working on. Daggett County has recently received funding from Homeland Security for the enhancement of 911 and other radio needs.

X.   Action Items
- Anticipated 700 MHz mobile data coverage maps to Sheriff Gustin for the Vernal and surrounding region. [Boyd Webb]

XI.   Next Meeting
The committee opted to have the next meeting in conjunction with the next 700MHz Regional Planning Committee meeting in Price. Video Conferencing will be available. Those wishing to use a video conferencing facility in their area can choose a location by selecting it on the map at this URL:
http://its.utah.gov/productsservices/videoprods/videoconferencing/videoconferencingsites.htm

Let dchandler@utah.gov know which facility you would like to have activated. Here's the location information for the meeting in Price:

Friday April 23, 2004
10:00 am
Price UDOT Conference Room
940 S. Carbon Ave.

The 700 MHz RPC Meeting will follow lunch at the same location(s) at 1:00 pm.

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